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COMPONENT MOUNTING APPARATUS  
HAVING COMPONENT SUPPLY TABLES  
PROVIDED ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF A  
COMPONENT TRANSFER PATH

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 14, 2002, the period for response having been extended for three (3) months by the attached petition, please amend the present application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 15, 22 and 23 as follows (*a clean set of all pending claims is presented for the Examiner's convenience*):

15. (Five Times Amended) A component mounting apparatus comprising:

7' a pair of component supply tables for accommodating a first plurality of components, said component supply tables being arranged adjacent to and on opposite sides of a board mounting position, respectively,